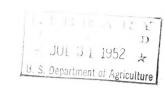
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The Flowering Bulbs Simply Get Better and Better Year after Year

This edition contains all of the fall bulbs — except good Crocus which are scarce and so expensive this year that we are not offering them. It also lists those perennials and flowering shrubs that are best planted in autumn in areas generally north of the 40th parallel. Those south of 40 can plant practically the whole list, including Evergreens — see the Spring Edition. (Or write for one, we have a few left.)

Now, before telling you about the bulbs and other highlights, we will go into our twice-a-year routine on ordering early. Remember, you get your plants at the right time if you don't put off ordering until the last minute and it's good for us because we can figure digging and shipping schedules more exactly. So, please forget about the heat of July and put your fall order in the mail quickly.

We're particularly proud of a new single Hybrid Peony, unrated and unnamed, but coming in the most remarkably intense colors you have ever seen in peonies. We are offering 100 of them for shipment in the fall of 1953 (not this fall) and there are so few of them that it will be years before they are plentiful enough to offer at popular prices — 7 to 10 years anyway. We are so sure of this peony that if you are not satisfied you can send us back the root (aliye, please) and we'll refund your money.

Now about bulbs. After testing several hundred varieties of all types we have chosen the flowering bulbs in this catalogue as the best so far in their class for color, form and vigor. Gardeners who have yet to see these remarkable new flowers have an experience ahead of them. This spring we received a rather unusual group of letters from customers who, until then, had never seen them. One said, "I didn't know that Daffodils like these existed. Naturally I'm not going to throw away my old ones—I am going to naturalize them—then plant more and more of these astonishing flowers in my borders. Imagine having that John Evelyn Hybrid, one called Green Emerald, as big as a tea cup!" Well, our Green Emeralds

weren't as big as tea cups, not our kind of teacups anyway—but they are big, all right, and not gawky.

Tulips brought similar comments, and there is no getting away from it, these Tulips are spectacular—particularly the Species or Botanical Tulips. These Botanicals are early (most come before Narcissus) and the range of color, size and form is so unusual that they defy description. We're happy to say that more people are finding out about them—finding out that they are permanent plantings, good for from 10 to 12 years without thinning.

Now the principal reason these bulbs — both Narcissi and Tulips — give such fabulous results is because they are the product of a not-too-large, more than 150 yearold Dutch house of originators. This house produces nothing but prime bulbs (theirs are twice as big as average) that have had staming bred into them - staming that we believe no other grower even remotely approaches. For example, the John Evelyn Narcissi series (Incomparabilis) defies wind, rain and sun; flowers last up to a month outdoors, up to a week indoors. Most of the Darwin and Breeder Tulips, after scores of years of selection have indoor and outdoor auglities possessed by no other strains, largely because Botanical Tulip hardiness was bred into them by this grower more than 60 years ago and, more importantly, is kept in by constant crossbreeding. Frankly, we are surprised that these fine varieties of flowering bulbs cost so little, so little more than varieties that have been around a decade or more. Remember, all bulbs in this catalogue (except Lilies) are the product of this one quality grower and several of the varieties offered here are offered nowhere else in America.

Roses are not included in this catalogue—regardless of what other people think or practice we don't offer Roses for fall planting anywhere simply because we don't think it's any way to treat a rose.

The Partners of White Flower Farm

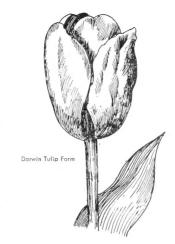
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The Julip Collection

Many of the following varieties of Tulips were introduced shortly after the war. After undergoing considerable testing here privately they have more than proved themselves adaptable in this climate. In vigor, quality of bloom, in staying power in the garden or bowl—they are in every way superior to pre-war varieties.

This is a remarkable family of bulbs with a wide range of color and form, and those who saw them in exhibition planting this spring told us they didn't know that Tulips like these existed. Plant them six inches deep in a well-drained location and mass them by colors. Mice damage can be largely controlled by edging the planting with 12 inch, small-mesh hardware cloth, leaving 3 inches of it above ground.



THE BOTANICAL TULIPS

Here are permanent Tulips—good for from 10 to 12 years in a location. Here, also, is something different in Tulips, something every garden doesn't have. Forms range from the exotic to extremely delicate so note descriptions and heights carefully. Some of these bulbs are very small but plant them all at least 7 inches deep and enrich the bottom of the hole with bonemeal. Like all Tulips they require good drainage, full sun. These Botanical (also called Species) Tulips are easy to grow.

Acuminata Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
Yellow, streaked red; very narrow petals taper at the top to a thin point. Height: 15 inches.

Batalinii

Each 50c; Six \$2.65; Doz. \$4.75; 25 \$9.00; 100 \$32.00

This native of Bokhara produces a soft chrome vellow

flower (deeper yellow center) in April—three or more blooms to a bulb. Height: 4 inches.

Chrysantha Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00

This very small bulb throws a flower that is rose-colored outside, soft yellow inside. From Himalaya. Height: 4 inches

Clusiana Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
Small flower on 14-inch stem. It is white inside. The exterior is crimson with a dark blue base. Good cut flower.

Dasystemon Six \$1.05; Doz. \$1.70; 25 \$3.00; 100 \$11.00
Canary-yellow and white with eight or more flowers on one stem. From Turkestan, Height: 5 inches.

Eichleri Six 80c; Doz. \$1.40; 25 \$2.60; 100 \$9.50

Large crimson-scarlet flowers with yellow and black centers. Height: 12 inches.

Fosteriana Red Emperor

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Large rounded vermilion petals with black and yellow bordered base. Height: 18 inches.

Kaufmanniana Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00
Called the water-lily tulip because it is white, yellow and pink outside. The earliest of all tulips to flower. Height: 8 ir..hes. large flower.

Caesar Frank

Each 45c; Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$17.50 Brilliant Turkish red with yellow center. Height: 8 inches.

Glück Each 35c; Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 Large rounded sulphur-yellow flower, center tinted reddish-brown. Outside petals red. Height: 8 inches.

Scarlet Elegance

Each 35c; Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00 Inside is scarlet; outside a dull, soft red. Height: 5 inches.

Kolpakowskiana

Each 35c; Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00 Deepest yellow, shaded rose on exterior of petals. Flower is long-lasting and heavy multiplier. Height: 8 inches.

Linifolia Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00

Brilliant vermillion-red. Four or more flowers to a stem and long lasting. Height: 7 inches.

Marjoletti Six 90c; Doz. \$1.50; 25 \$2.75; 100 \$10.00
Soft primrose, shaded carmine-red at the base. Flowers mid-May. Height: 14 inches.

Rockery Beauty Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00 Free flowering and lasting vermillion-red. Height: 8 inches.

Saxatilis Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00
A splendid lavender flower with soft yellow base. Blooms in April. Height: 9 inches.

Turkestanica Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00

Each bulb produces six or more small white flowers, shaded yellow inside. Blooms in April. Height: 5 inches.

Kaufmanniana Mixture

Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 Contains Caesar Frank, Glück, Scarlet Elegance, Kaufmanniana and four other named varieties.

DARWIN, BREEDER & COTTAGE TULIPS

Here by shade of color, The Farm's tested list of great Tulips. Mass them by color, and leave in the same location for two or three years without thinning. The best of those most graceful of Tulips, the Lily-flowered, are also included.

The Whites

Annie Speelman

Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00 A pure white having translucent qualities—base and anthers also white. Lasts two to three weeks in the garden. Excellent cut flower. Height: 30 inches.

Glacier Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Also a giant white, including base and anthers. Height:

Ivory Glory Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

A huge egg-shaped flower—clear ivory-white and a white center. (Cottage) 26 inches.

The Bride Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

We go all-out for this bride. Creamy-white. Lily-flowered.

Height: 23 inches.

White Cross Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00
Strikingly large, pure white Lily-flowered Tulip. Height: 27 inches.

The Red Tones

Abraham Lincoln Introductory price: 60c each
The above introductory price (only 6 to a customer)
hardly covers cost. Its color is bright crimson-maroon,
outer petals darker, base large and dark blue. This remarkable new flower does not fade. Supply is very limited.
Height: 29 inches.

Arabian Night Six \$1.60; Doz. \$2.95; 25 \$5.35; 100 \$14.00

A most unusual Indian red with an even darker overcast.
There is not a variety like it, Height: 28 inches.

Chinese Bandit Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

A Chinese red with a considerable shading of warm orange. Inside base is yellow. It has an immense flower which lasts a long time in the garden. Height: 25 inches.

Conan Doyle Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

A brilliant cardinal-red. Base of bloom is black, surrounded with a white rim. Height: 28 inches.

Crimson Giant Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

An immense flower of deep crimson-red, Height: 30 inches

Garden Cinderella

Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Cerise-red inside, inside darker, edged lighter. Pale blue base with blue anthers. An outstanding post-war variety. Height: 27 inches

Gloria Swanson Six \$1.20; Doz. \$1.85; 25 \$3.35; 100 \$12.00

A giant-flowered crimson-red tulip with a bluish base.
Height: 32 inches.

llse Werner Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

Heavy cerise outside, inside lighter with white center and light blue halo. Height: 29 inches.

Morocco Beauty Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

Clear Moroccan-red; interior a dark reddish mahogany.
Yellowish base. Height: 26 inches.

Olson's Favorite

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00: 100 \$14.00

Chinese red to flame red; tones outside are somewhat darker. Margins of petals have orange overtones. Height: 27 inches.

Roman Eagle Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Rich dark red with a high sheen—almost looks as if it had been polished. Blooms late. Height: 30 inches.

Sidonie Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

A new Lily-flowered Tulip of dark Bordeaux-red turning purple with age. Outstanding. Height: 21 inches.

Wallflower Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
Shiny red with clear yellow interior. Five or more flowers to a stem. Height: 27 inches. (Multi-flowered)

The Yellow Tones

Dixie Sunshine Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00
Outside is soft yellowish tan with pale lilac shading.
Inside is of palest yellow to buff-yellow at edges. Height:
28 inches.



Fascinating Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Exterior of bright sulphur yellow; interior of dark lemonyellow. Height: 26 inches. (Lily-flowered)

Garden Magic Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.30, 25 \$4.20, 100 \$15.00

The nearest to a clear yellow tulip that we know about.

Now for what is apparently a contradiction—the outside has a slight flush of purple and anthers are pitch-black. However, as stated before, this is a yellow tulip. Height: 29 inches.

Golden Duchess Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00 Golden-yellow. Height: 23 inches. (Lily-flowered)

Helen Gahagan Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
Outside is sulphur-yellow, inside is dark lemon-yellow with yellow anthers. It fades after a while to creamy white. Height: 30 inches.

Niphetos Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Soft yellow with even lighter yellow base and anthers. It lasts a long time in the garden or as a cut flower. Height: 29 inches

Treasure Island Six \$2.50, Doz. \$4.50, 25 \$8.25, 100 \$30.00

A rare and scarce tulip. The three outside petals are silvery yellow deepening to primrose. The three inside are a shiny deep yellow. Colors do not fade. Height: 30 inches.

Pink and Rose Tones

Caroline Testout

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

A soft pure, glistening pink having a white base. This is a show flower in its class. Height: 30 inches.

Deborah Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Soft and shading tones of pink. Inside more pronounced pink tones. The center is blue. Height: 27 inches.

Denver Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00
Immense bloom of soft rose with a violet overcast. Height-

Good Gracious Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00
A translucent salmon pink, Height: 25 inches.

Gen. de la Rey Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

A large salmon flower shaded lilac-rose and buff. It has a distinct orange center and a cream-white base. Height: 26 inches. (Cottage)

Kathryn Truxton

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

Smoky-rose with a soft copper-yellow edging. Inside is pinkish-lavender with a light copper shading. Height: 28 inches.

Mavoureen Six \$1.20; Doz. \$1.85; 25 \$3.35; 100 \$12.00

Pink with lavender tones. The base is nearly blue. Height: 30 inches.

Pride of Zwanenberg

Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Not new but certainly the best solid rose-colored tulip yet bred. Immense flowers. Height: 32 inches.

Rhodes Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

Pink with a satin sheen, pure-white center. Large Lilyflowered variety. Height: 24 inches.

Rosy Wings Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

This is a fine and delicate pink with a Forget-me-not blue base. Its long, 5-inch buds open fully in sunlight. It is earlier than most of the Cottage group but Rosy Wings will last as long as others do. Awarded A.A. by The New York Tulio Society in their 1951 trials. Height: 25 inches.

William Tell Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00 It's a nearly uniform raspberry-rose, slightly paler at the edge. Rich rose-pink Inside. Center is white with black anthers. Height: 26 inches.

Yankee Girl Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Another Lily-flowered Tulip of most delicate salmon-buff.
Strongly reflexing petals. Height: 26 inches.

Blue to Purple Tones

Captain Fryatt Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

Dark ruby-violet, violet-blue center, blue and shading white base. Outstanding Lily-flowered color and type. Height; 24 inches.

Cum Laude Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
Violet-blue with a decided blue overcost, the edges toned lighter. The overall effect from a short distance is that Cum Laude is the bluest of blues. Height: 28 inches.

Elisa Landi
Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00
Outside petals are Bishop-purple, slightly lighter at edges.
Inside is a rich purple with a pure white center, Height:

29 inches. **Kennard** Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.25, 25 \$4.00, 100 \$14.00

Dark plum-color inside and out. Height: 27 inches.

Mark Anthony Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00
Wine purple inside and out, anthers are black. Height 30 inches.

Lilac-Violet Tones

Clematis Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

A rosy-lilac with a pure white base. Colors are clean and clear. Height: 27 inches.

Drammen Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

Soft rosy violet. This is a rare coloring and could have been placed in the pink to rose classification. Height: 27 inches.

Hummingbird Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

This is a pure violet of great substance. Height: 30 inches.

Insurpassable Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

A mammoth lilac and that is all you need to know except that the height is 28 inches.

Linette Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Clear purplish violet, inside darker with a white base.
Lily-flowered. Height: 25 inches.

Chamois to Brown Tones

Don Alma Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

A quiet golden brown with lavender shadings. The edges have a narrow margin of tan. Inside is coffee brown with soft buff shadinas. Helaht: 27 inches.

Mahogany Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

This is a rare color of deep mahogany with an even darker base. Needs to be planted with pure white or yellow companions. Height: 29 inches.

PARROT TULIPS

These flamboyant flowers should be planted in groups by themselves for the best effect. They have an orchidlike form and the varieties below are the best and clearest colors. As a cut flower they rate high.

Blue Parrot Six 90c; Doz. \$1.50; 25 \$2.75; 100 \$10.00

Bright violet over-shaded by steel-blue. Strong 30-inch stem.

Fantasy Six \$1.05; Doz. \$1.70; 25 \$3.00; 100 \$11.00

This is a soft rose-pink and the shadings of the cup are

of velvet textured rose. Height: 26 inches.

Ivory Parrot

Each 60c; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 This rare Tulip is cream-white at opening, pure white when developed. Only a few available. Height: 22 inches.



Orange Favorite

Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00 The oustide is a glistening deep orange with harmonious rose shadings. Inside is orange-scarlet with a yellow base. Height: 23 inches.

Texas Gold

Each 50c; Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00 This is a sensational new Parrot of clear yellow. The petals are deeply lacerated and the stem is straight and strong. It is far superior to Sunshine. (We could only get a few.) Height: 24 inches.

Therese Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Cochineal-red with green markings on the outside. Inside is scarlet with a white center tinted blue. Height: 30 inches.

The Black Parrot

Each 60c; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 Purple-black, extremely rare and in very short supply.

PEONY-FLOWERED TULIPS

These are really double-flowered Cottage tulips and bloom at the same time. They need a little shade to protect them from brilliant sun. They can hardly be distinguished from giant peonies and all make excellent cut flowers

Blue Celeste

Each 35c; Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 Very large flower of soft violet-purple. Scarce. Height: 17 inches.

Mount Tacoma Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$17.00 A giant double white.

Royal Yellow

Each 35c; Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 Solid yellow, fully double flower of medium size. Height: 22 inches.

Symphonia

Each 35c; Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 Brilliant rosy-carmine with blue base. Height: 24 inches.

HYACINTH

Plant these bulbs about 6 inches deep and be positive that drainage is excellent as they are guaranteed to rot out if water stands on them. Otherwise they'll last for years. These are big bulbs—18 to 19 cm—and true to variety.

L'Innocence, pure white; Queen of the Blues, porcelainblue; King of the Blues, very dark blue; City of Haarlem, pure yellow; Pink Pearl, delicate light-pink.

By variety:

Three 80c; Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

Hyacinth Multiflora

Each \$2.50

Each of these giant bulbs produce 8 to 14 beautifully informal flowering spikes—a whole bouquet of flowers. They are recommended only for indoor forcing. Order by color: White, Pink, Blue.

MUSCARI (Grape Hyacinth)

Armeniacum

Six 45c; Doz. 70c; 25 \$1.30; 100 \$4.00

Clear blue giant, excellent bedder.

Botryoides albus

Six \$1.00; Doz. \$1.55; 25 \$2.90; 100 \$10.50

A delicate pure white.

The Daffodil Collection

Here is the cream of the new imported hybrid Narcissi. All eleven of this great family of bulbs are represented, including the tiny species narcissi which are ideal for the rockery. Plant six or a dozen of a variety in a 36-inch circle, locate them toward mid-front in the perennial border or spot the groups at the edge of shrubs. Put them in north, east, west and south exposures to have a long succession of bloom in the spring. Practically all of these varieties make perfect cut flowers.

Daffodils are easily grown and require no care. Once planted they bloom sturdily year after year. In from 5 to 10 years they will increase five to ten fold or more and some may require thinning. Plant from 6 to 12 inches deep in reasonably good garden soil, enriched perhaps with a handful of bonemeal to each group of bulbs. Cut all the flowers you want but be sure to let the tops die back before removing. Put them in the ground as soon as received.



This is the finest collection of White Daffodils that has ever been offered. Descriptions do not do justice to the flowers because there are so few modifying adjectives for the word "white"—like black, no two whites are alike, either.

Few people are acquainted with white daffodils-when they see ours in bloom their eyes pop. This is as it should be for there is nothing quite like them. These varieties are all strong, tall and free-flowering. We advise planting in solid banks for the best effect—between colored varieties.

Beersheba

Each 45c: Six \$2.50: Doz. \$4.50: 25 \$8.25: 100 \$30.00 This was one of the first white daffodils offered. It is huge and reliable—a heavy propagator. Opens with a vellow tint that turns white in the garden. Cut, when first opening, it turns alabaster in a few hours.

Cheerfulness Six 80c: Doz. \$1.40: 25 \$2.65: 100 \$9.50 Never was a flower better named. Clusters of showy double white flowers on exceedingly strong stems. When Cheerfulness first opens there is a suggestion of yellow in the center which soon fades. It is a late season bloomer; a heavy multiplier.

Gloria

This new and sensational pure white trumpet is offered for the first time this year. Heavy propagator. Outstanding for collectors.

Daphne Six 80c: Doz. \$1.40: 25 \$2.65: 100 \$9.50 Sweet-scented, pure white double, extremely early.



Imperator Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.00; 25 \$5.50; 100 \$20.00 A large pure white trumpet.

Mrs. E. H. Krelage

Six \$1,50; Doz. \$2,75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 A strong white free-flowering trumpet.

Mount Hood

Each 65c; Six \$3.65; Doz. \$6.75; 25 \$12.50; 100 \$48.00 Pure white of great size. (In short supply.)

Romaine

Each 40c: Six \$2.25: Doz. \$4.00: 25 \$7.00: 100 \$25.00 A large cream-white,

Roxane Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3,25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 The trumpet is nearly cream-colored, the petals pure white.

Thalia Six \$1.45: Doz. \$2.50: 25 \$4.65: 100 \$17.00 Star-shaped, pure white flowers (two to four) on strong, reed-like stems. Particularly good for artistic arrangements. Height: about 20 inches.

Triandus Albus Six \$1.10; Doz. \$1.80; 25 \$3.25; 100 \$11.50 Albus produces a cluster of creamy white flowers having a alobular cup and reflexing petals. Height: 6-8 inches. This variety (it is also called Angel's Tears) needs partial shade—a light, sandy soil and a well-drained location.

The White Collection

52 Bulbs for \$12.00 52 Top Bulbs, 11 varieties (including Gloria), each variety identified. Because they come into bloom at different times these bulbs are invaluable for border planting. Regular price of this collection is \$16.00.

NEW PINK TRUMPETS

These are the sensations of the Daffodil world, delicate and completely different. All of them should be planted in partial shade. When the flower first opens, no pink or apricot-pinks are discernible. So don't call us until you've waited a day-pink shadings will be apparent the very next morning. The supply of these varieties is limited so please order early.

Antibes

Each 60c: Six \$3.00: Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 Pure white substantial petals. Trumpet turns to soft pink from first shadings of pale apricot and soft orange. It is the latest of the pinks to flower.

Biarritz Each 45c: Six \$2.50: Doz. \$4.50: 25 \$8.25: 100 \$30.00 White petals, Cup opens buttercup-yellow, is broadly fringed; turns apricot-pink.

Cannes Fach 45c: Six \$2.50: Doz. \$4.50: 25 \$8.25: 100 \$30.00 White petals re-curve. Cup is flaring and of soft canary yellow but pink on the ruffles and edges in different shades.

Champagne

Each \$1.00: Six \$5.75: Doz. \$11.00: 25 \$21.00: 100 \$75.00 Petals pure white. The large trumpet is a pale cream pink, with a broad apricot-ruffled edge. At full bloom color turns to salmon-pink, Early,

Lady Bird

Each \$1.00: Six \$5.75: Doz. \$11.00: 25 \$21.00: 100 \$75.00 Petals white, Large trumpet is distinctly pink and flaring, A heavy flower on a strong stem.

Louise de Coligny

Each \$1.75

To introduce this remarkable new pink Daffodil we are offering it at cost. Its white petals reflex and its trumpet shows beautiful apricot-pink immediately. Also, it is very fragrant. Only three to a customer.

Mentone

Each 75c; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50; 25 \$15.00; 100 \$55.00 White petals, Trumpet fringed, Turns to nearly pure pink after passing through stages of tangerine and apricot.

Mrs. R. O. Backhouse

Six \$1,75; Doz. \$3.00; 25 \$5.50; 100 \$20.00

The first pink Daffodil, Petals ivory-white, long, deeply fringed trumpet of apricot-pink changing to shell-pink.

Pink Fancy

Each 35c: Six \$1.80: Doz. \$3.10: 25 \$5.75: 100 \$22.00 Petals white, Pale apricot cup, broadly fringed with pink. This is free flowering and a heavy propagator, which is the reason it can be offered at this price.

Pink Favorite

Each 55c; Six \$2.75; Doz. \$5.00; 25 \$9.50; 100 \$35.00 White petals. Cup opens palest yellow, changes to apricot-pink of heavier shading inside.

Pink Glory

Each \$1.10; Six \$6.25; Doz. \$11.75; 25 \$21.75; 100 \$79.00 Graceful, loose white petals. Long trumpet opening light Indian yellow, shading fully to pink. This orchid-like flower is a collector's item.

Pink Rim

Each 75c; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50; 25 \$15.00; 100 \$55.00 Trim white petals. Very distinct in its trumpet markings with the fringed edge of the cup a deeper pink than the body of the trumpet.

Pink Select

Each 45c; Six \$2.50; Doz. \$4.50; 25 \$8.25; 100 \$30.00 White petals. Trumpet is 2 inches long and 2 inches wide, opens pale yellow, turns to pink with apricot shading.

Siam

Each 65c; Six \$3.50; Doz. \$6.50; 25 \$12.00; 100 \$45.00 This variety, with white petals and floring pink trumpet, is the largest flower in the collection.

Collection, Named Pink Varieties

For those who would like to naturalize all of these fine bulbs we are offering six of every variety above (except Louise de Coligny—78 Top bulbs having a regular retail value of \$36.75 for \$25.00.

YELLOW TRUMPETS

One yellow trumpet Daffodil is inclined to look like every other yellow trumpet Daffodil so we've selected four giants, each different in color, each of great depth and quality. All are strong propagators.

Insurpassable

Each 35c; Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00 Extremely large golden (not yellow) flower.

Lord Nelson (new)

Each 40c; Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.00; 25 \$7.00; 100 \$25.00 Like Peerless Gold it is an enormous flower. Its color is light yellow throughout.

Peerless Gold (new)

Each 40c; Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.00; 25 \$7.00; 100 \$25.00 Brilliant golden throughout and of great size and vigor.

Spring Glory Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

Large white petals and a huge golden trumpet. Has grace.



The John Evelyn Hybrid Collection

Every one of these charming Shortcup Narcissi flowers is new and each has its own unusual color and form. None look alike. All seem to be impervious to wind and rain, hence their other name, Weatherproofs. Each multiplies rapidly and they will throw large flowers for 10 to 12 years without thinnings.

Brookville

Each 35c; Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00 A short heavily ruffled cup of pale lemon yellow; heavy, broad white petals.

Diamond Jubilee (new)

Each 60c; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 This remarkable shortcup has rounded white petals. The crown, flat and strongly fringed, is a brilliant tangerine.

Duke of Windsor

Each 45c; Six \$2.50; Doz. \$4.50; 25 \$8.25; 100 \$30.00 Thick white overlapping petals, cup of pale yellow, very flaring, ruffled and short.

Green Emerald

Each 35c; Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00 This flower has a greenish yellow overcast of various shades and intensities. Despite this its petals are towards the white, its cup toward a unique lemon yellow.

Lemon Cup

Each 35c; Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 This is one of the famous "Weatherproof" series. The petals are broad and soft cream-white; the strongly ruffled flat and flaring crown is very large and of buttercup yellow inside, broadly edged pale yellow. It is tall, strong, early and free flowering.

SUET SKEWER FOR BIRDS

An aluminum skewer pushed through a chunk of suet makes a handy, cheap suet feeder for birds.

Each \$1.00, Six \$5.00

Leviathan

Each 35c; Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00 Creamy white petals curve back slightly; the cup, ruffled, flaring and large, is close to golden yellow.

Majarda

Each 35c; Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00
Clean white petals and an unusual yellow flaring short cup. Tall grower and excellent cut flower.

Mary Blonck

Each 35c; Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00

Broad white petals and a flaring, fringed canary-yellow cup edged mariaold-orange. Heavy propagator.

Mekkeda

Each 35c; Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00 Large pale yellow petals with wide cup of deep orange. Heavy propagator.

Orange Monarch (new)

Each 45c; Six \$2.50; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50
Petals of ivory-white. Crown is too big to be believed, flaring and ruffled and brilliant orange.

Sky Rocket (new)

Each 75c; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50; 25 \$15.00; 100 \$55.00 Another of these adjective defying Weatherproofs. Creamwhite petals with tangerine-yellow fringed cup of great size.

Wodan Each 40c; Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.10; 25 \$7.50; 100 \$26.00

Petals are bright canary-yellow. Cup is large and heavily flared and frilled; buttercup-golden, edged orange.

Collection of Weatherproofs

Naturalizing these in blocks by variety (plant bulbs 2 feet apart) will make a rare sight in a few years. To make this possible and economical we're offering six bulbs of each of these 12 varieties, separately identified—72 Top bulbs, a regular \$28.00 retail value for \$18.00.

UNUSUAL DAFFODILS

Here seven varieties of Daffodils that are completely different. Three are perfect miniatures of exquisite delicacy. The others are a little larger but not so large as ordinary Narcissus. They are dainty flowers of great beauty. For the highly discriminating gardener.

Bulbocodium citrinus

Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 Large, hoop-petticoat shaped flowers of pale citron yellow. Height: 6-8 inches. This variety likes moisture and should be planted at the foot of the rockery.

Bulbocodium Conspicuous

Six \$1.30: Doz. \$2.15: 25 \$3.75: 100 \$13.00

Height: 6 Inches, It. too, likes moisture. Same form of flower as above but of rich gold color.

Campernelle Six \$1.30: Doz. \$2.15: 25 \$3.75: 100 \$13.00 Two or three small, golden-vellow flowers on strong stems, Fragrant, About 14 inches high, Excellent for cutting.

Canaliculatus Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

The whole flower never grows more than 6" high. There are three to four perfectly formed tiny trumpet flowers on each stem. Petals are white and the globular golden cup is sweetly scented.

February Gold

Each 45c; Six \$2.50; Doz. \$4.50; 25 \$8.25; 100 \$30.00 The petals (golden yellow) curve back beautifully and the strong, heavily frilled trumpet is the color of the gold in your grandmother's jewelry.

Queen Anne's Daffodil (Jonquilla Simplex)

Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

This is a true and tiny single daffodil. A perfect miniature for the rock garden. Flowers are a pure goldenvellow: foliage is grass-like.

Trevithian Six \$1.50: Doz. \$2.75: 25 \$3.75: 100 \$13 00 From 2 to 4 translucent soft vellow flowers on each stem.

High winds do not seem to bother it and don't burn or wilt it. Very fragrant. An excellent cut flower.

SCILLA CAMPANULATA (Hispanica) (Wood Hygcinth or Scotch Blue Bells)

These are all novelties and greatly improved over the commoner forms. They thrive under fir or pine trees which means that you can grow them anywhere. It's another lifetime plant. They make wonderful cut flowers. Our supply is limited: order early.

Blue Giant Six 70c: Doz. \$1,20: 25 \$2,20: 100 \$8.00

Dark blue.

Blue Pearl Six 70c: Doz. \$1,20: 25 \$2,20: 100 \$8.00

Pale blue, extra large.

Dainty Maid Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00

A dark pink. White Triumphator

Six 70c: Doz. \$1,20: 25 \$2,20: 100 \$8.00

A giant white of unusual substance,



The Lily Collection

Lilies are indispensable to the garden and these are the ones which are hardiest and easiest grown. Many bloom in July and August, a boon to the border at that poor period of bloom. There are two general rules about growing lilies. The first: get them in the ground immediately. We deliver them in top condition-moist and healthy. Plant the day you receive them. The second rule; plant them on their sides in well-drained locations. If there is any doubt about drainage put a four-inch layer of coarse sand or fine arayel underneath them. Proper planting depth is important. We offer only the smaller sized bulbs because large ones travel badly, dry out quickly, suffer too much shock from moving and do not establish as quickly.

L. Amabile Each 60c: Three \$1.70: Six \$3.00: Doz. \$5.75 Brilliant arenadine-red flowers, spotted black, carried on 3 foot stems. Heavy propagator and free-flowering. Plant 5 inches deep in light soils, less in clay or heavy soils, 4 to 5 inch bulbs.

I Amabile Luteum

Each 70c: Three \$1.95; Six \$3.75; Doz. \$7.00 The loveliest vellow-flowered lily. Does well in full sun. stands considerable drought, Plant 5 inches in porous soils, shallower in clay, 4 to 5 inch bulbs.

L. Auratum Platyphyllum

Each \$1.00: Three \$2.85: Six \$5.65

The golden-rayed lily of Japan, It has great, fragrant, waxy-white blooms, golden-streaked and sometimes crimson spotted. Needs full sun and a rich, well-drained soil. Flowers in August and September, Plant 5-7 inches deep. 6 to 7 inch bulbs.

L. Candidum "Cascade Strain"

Each 75c: Three \$2.15: Six \$4.00

This is the Madonna Lily in modern dress. It is pure white. June-flowering. Plant in the fall, Must not be planted over an inch deep; needs drainage. 6 to 7 inch bulbs.

L. Centifolium "Olympic Hybrids"

Each 40c; Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.10; 25 \$7.00

The great trumpets flower in July on stems 5 to 7 feet tall. They do well in sun or light shade, Colors run from pure white to deep ivory with soft green or greenish brown or wine tints on the exterior of each bloom, Plant 5 to 7 inches deep and leave undisturbed for years, 6 to 7 inch bulbs.

L. Speciosium Album

Each \$1.35; Three \$3.75

This is one of the loveliest cut flowers. It is pure white with radically recurved petals on curving stems. It needs a well-drained soil and some shade during the hottest part of the day. Plant 6 inches deep; 5 to 6 inch bulbs.

L. Speciosium Rubrum

Each 95c: Three \$2.75

Called "Red Champion" since it has been improved. The blooms, like Speciosium Album in shape, are delightful shades of pink to blending reds. Plant 6 inches deep: 5 to 6 inch bulbs.

THE MID-CENTURY HYBRIDS

An entirely new group of hybrids developed by Jan de Graaff, the famous Oregon originator. They grow about two to four feet high, are tough in any climate, should be planted about 5-6 inches deep and be in well-drained soil. Neither descriptions nor pictures do them justice—we urge trying them.

Bonanza

Each \$1.00: Three \$2.75

Clear orange-yellow flowers on 3 to 4 foot stems, in early

Enchantment (Patent No. 862) Each \$1,50; Three \$4.00

de Graaf describes this as the best hardy lily he has ever developed and others say it is the best lily origination of the century. We subscribe to both these remarks. Enchantment is a vibrant nasturtium-red with flowers lasting for weeks. Blooms late June or July on 4-foot stems.

Each \$1.30: Three \$3.50

Large rich Indian-red with recurved petals. Blooms on 2-foot stems.

Vagabond

Each \$1.60: Three \$4.50

Soft apricot with a pink sheen. Stands 3 feet with as many as fifteen blooms on a stem.

Valencia

Each \$1.00: Three \$2.75

Rich golden flowers on 3-foot stems with a mid-rib of bronze and minute maroon dots. Late June.

AMARYLLIS HYBRIDS

These giant flowering hybrids will bloom for the rankest amateur. They can be grown either in the house or garden, but they are not hardy in our climate and if grown outdoors have to be dug before frost. Planted in a pot in winter they will bloom within six to eight weeks. (By keeping part of the bulbs dormant you can have a succession of bloom throughout the winter.) Plant them outdoors in March, April or May and they will bloom in July and August. Outdoor culture is easier than growing gladiolus. We can supply them from November through May but order early as the supply is limited.

MAMMOTH DUTCH HYBRIDS

Four to six tremendous blooms on a vigorous stem. Top size bulbs only.

| Pink and Rose Shades | Each \$3.50 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Dark Red Shades | Each \$3.50 |
| Salmon-Pink with White Stripes | Each \$3.50 |
| Violet and Violet-Rose Tints | Each \$3.50 |
| Pure White | Each \$4.50 |



The Flowering Plants

This is the stuff perennial borders are made of. The word perennial, as applied to flowering plants like these, does not mean forever—it means these plants have a long life. Some, like an established peony, last for 25 years or more; others bloom their heads off for two or three years, get root bound and die. But in between these extremes you get lasting beauty if you pay any attention to a perennial border, and, if it's properly planted, there will be a succession of bloom from early spring to late fall.

For those who prefer a white border we have a white variety of the species if it is available in a sturdy form. The range of colored varieties is tremendous—we have stayed away from only one color, magenta; it goes with nothing including itself.

Soils for perennial plantings should be well drained, rich in phosphate and phosphorus (for root and strong stalk development), moderately rich in nitrogen (you want flowers, not great masses of over-grown green leaves). Our stock is all top-size and absolutely free from disease.

DELPHINIUM (Perennial Larkspur) Pacific Coast Hybrids

The California hybridizers, Vetterle & Reinelt, have walked away with the delphinium show—no one has come near equalling the spectacular beauty of their Round Table Series. These hybrids are not as long-lived as Belladonna and related varieties and many delphinium fanciers treat them as biennials.

They require excellent drainage and a strongly alkaline soil—dry wood ashes worked into the area a few days before planting is best. Do not overfeed. And do not cover in winter—a thin layer of coal ashes will protect the crowns from slugs. Occasional dusting with sulphur controls leaf black spot. All clumps are strongly grown, two-year-old stock. Height: 4 to 7 feet. Protect flowering spikes from wind, or stake. (Maybe you had better stake anyway.) All bloom in late June or early July. Better plant 2 feet apart.

Astolat Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25 Shades of layender-pink with black or gold bee.

Black Knight Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Shades of darkest violet with black bee.

Blue Bird Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25 Shades of medium blue with white bee.

Blue Jay Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25 Shades from medium to dark blue with black bee.



Cameliard

Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25

Shades of clear lavender with white bee.

Galahad Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25

Purest white. Blooms about 10 days later than others.

Guinevere Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25

Shades of lavender-pink with white.

King Arthur Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25

Royal purple with white bee.

Lancelot Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25

Shades of lilac with a white bee.

Percival Each 85c, Three \$2,10, Doz. \$6.25

Purest white with black bee, (Flowers with Galahad.)

Summer Skies Each 85c, Three \$2,10, Doz. \$6,25

Shades of lightest blues with white bee.

CHINESE DELPHINIUM

The miniature or so-called dwarf varieties bloom all summer if cut back. Flowers keep a week in water. Culture: same as for Pacifics. First blooms in late June or early July.

Album Grandiflorum Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Pure white. Height: 24 inches.

Azure Fairy Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65 Soft azure blue, Height: 18 inches.

Blue Mirror Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Bright navy blue, Height: 24 inches.

OTHER DELPHINIUM

These are pretty tough and old favorites. They are mostly single-flowered.

Belladonna Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Light blue. Long-lasting plant. Initial stalk may reach
5 teet: if kept cut it will bloom all summer.

Bellamosa Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Blackmore and Lanadon Strain

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Mixed shades reaching 5 feet, Long-lasting plant.

Wrexham Strain Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Mixed "Hollyhock" delphinium, tall growing. Plant is long-

HEMEROCALLIS (Day Lilies)

These are of easiest culture; they multiply freely; are permanent and practically free of insects. Study planting dates of varieties listed and order so that you have day lilies blooming from June to September. The hybridizers have gotten to work on the old-fashioned species and now we have varieties from softest yellow to almost fiery red. Move them any time; they are the toughest plants we know about.

August Pioneer Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50 Chrome-yellow. Tips of petals blended red. Blooms Aug. Sept. Height: 34 inches.

Bagdad Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50

Blend of copper-red and orange. Orange center. June-July, Height: 42 inches.

Enchantress Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50 Soft yellow. Bleeds to pink in center. Aug.-Sept. Height: 36 inches.

Hyperion Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.75

Very large canary-yellow flowers. Best of all yellow day lilies. July-August. Height: 48 inches.

Imperator Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Golden-red lined with yellow. July-August. Height: 40
inches.

Linda Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Amber-yellow with reddish lines. Petals ruffled. June-July.
Height: 30 inches.

Mikado Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Rich orange with mahogany blotch at base of petals. JuneJuly. Height: 36 inches.

Mrs. A. H. Austin Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Deep, large-flowered, golden-yellow. July-Aug. Height: 36 inches.



Serenade Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50

Pastel shadings of yellow and pink. June-July. Height: 36

IBERIS (Perennial Candytuft)

Require nothing extraordinary in soils. Plant, fall or spring, 6 inches apart.

Little Gem Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00

Pure white flowers in May. True dworf, flowers reach 6 inches in height, foliage about 3 inches. Perfect edging plant; excellent for rock gardens.

LIATRIS (Blazing Star or Gayfeather)

Thrive in ordinary soils, in sun or shade, can be grown at water-side. Plant in groups of three at back of border. In our opinion Liatris has been neglected by gardeners. Excellent for cutting.

Pynostachya Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75

Bloom July-August. Rich purple flowers, blooming from top down, on spikes 4 feet high.

Scariosa September Glory Each 75c. Three \$1.80. Doz. \$5.65

Purple flowers all come into bloom at same time (unlike Pynostachya) on 6-foot spikes.

Scariosa White Spires Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
White form of September Glory.

PHLOX DECUSSATA (Hardy Garden Phlox)

To grow Phlox well be sure soil is well-drained, deep and heavily enriched. Keep in full sun. Water freely under the foliage. It likes its feet wet and its clothing dry. In wet weather dust with sulphur to prevent mildew. Don't plant too close to stone walls—they are damp. Set far enough apart to get good air circulation. Divide the roots every three or four years to keep plants vigorous and flowers large. Destroy all seedlings—they turn to ugly magenta colors and are so vigorous they crowd out named varieties.

Bright Eyes Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50

Brilliant red with darker center. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Charles Curtis Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75
Brilliant sunset red. Does not fade. 30 inches high.

Count Zeppelin Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50

Pure white with vermilion-red eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Lillian Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75

Delicate large pink flowers. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Mary Louise Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Startlingly white large flowers. Late season. 30 inches high.

Mies Copyn (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
A giant new Dutch introduction—clear pink with carmine center. Rugged.

Salmon Beauty Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Salmon-pink flowers with white eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Starlight Each 50c, Three \$1.40, Doz. \$4.00
Violet with clear white center, Late season, 30 inches high.

Sir John Falstaff (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00

A giant with a rich, luminous salmon-pink color. The individual pips or blooms are nearly 2 inches in diameter.

Von Lassburg Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Good for the background of a border. White blooms in mid-season on trusses 36 Inches high.

Best Garden Book

The partners here bought nearly every garden book when they were avid amateurs. The best is America's Garden Book. Its 1250 pages are perfectly organized; there is fine data on plant disease and prevention; it has an index anybody can use. The price \$4.50 from The Farm, plus postage.

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The hybridizers have done wonders with Iris—from the German bearded types to Japs. They have done so well that the big job is selecting the best from the thousands of new ones introduced every year. Where we have used old varieties we have done it purposely; they still are better than the new higher priced ones that are supposed to replace them. On the other hand our Collector Offering (the ones \$3.00 and over per plant) are the introductions that will grow old gracefully.

Culture generally is very simple but remember that a newly planted root will not be sensational its first blooming season — it takes two to three years to establish a planting.



GERMAN BEARDED IRIS

Only one thing to remember—they must have shallow planting. These are shipped only during July and August, the dormant period. They can be bought in bloom in *Easimoves* at The Sales Center in June. As some of these varieties are in short supply, please order early.

WHITES

Crystal Beauty Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

An excellent white with golden beard, 38 inches.

DamozelThree 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A pure white, ruffled, 36 inches.

Lady Mohr

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

Huge, slightly fluted oyster-white standards with strong
chartreuse falls. Grows to nearly four feet and carries
several open blooms at a time. Scarce.

San Francisco Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 A mighty fine white. 40 inches.

Snow Flurry Each \$1.25, Three \$3.25, Doz. \$12.50
Ice white which means there is a bluish cast. Outstanding, 48 inches.

Venus de Milo

Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

As you would expect, almost alabaster white and tall—
42".

Wabash Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Basically a white-blue bi-color. 36 inches.

Winter Carnival Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
White with a gold throat. 38 inches.

PINK SHADES

China Maid

Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50

A mallow—pink, edged gold.

Ethelwyn Dubar Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Orchid self pink.

Morocco Rose Each 80c, Three \$2.30, Doz. \$8.00 Largest of all pink toned Iris.

Pink Satin Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz.\$3.25
A good, clear pink, 40 inches.

Tokay Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz.\$3.25 Salmon pink. 36 inches.

Spindrift Each \$3.00, Three \$8.00, Doz. \$22.50

Translucent shell pink with tangerine beard. 38 inches.

Mulberry Rose Each \$1.00, Six \$5.25, Doz. \$10.00

Deep mulberry pink with heavy bronze beard. 40 inches.

Spark Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

Brick red. 36 inches.

Bryce Canyon Each \$3.75, Three \$10.00, Doz. \$30.00 Red-brown with henna. Scarce. 40 Inches.

PURPLE SHADES

Challenger Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 A very dark purple. 32 inches.

Indian Chief Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 Fine reddish purple. 36 inches

Sable Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00

The blackest flower you ever saw; call it black-violet.
Scarce. 38 inches.

Thuratus Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Highly useable dark purple. 36 inches.

Master Charles Each \$ 2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00 Mulberry-purple and lovely. 40 inches.

YELLOW TO GOLDEN SHADES

Berkley Gold Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz.\$10.00
A clear self-vellow, 32 inches.

Ola Kala Each \$1.50, Three \$4.25, Doz. \$15.00
This is a deepest yellow color, the bloom highly ruffled.
38 inches.

Tiffany Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Predominately yellow with maroon overlay. 34 inches.

Ming Yellow Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

A dusty chinese yellow that is smooth and rich. 40 inches.

RIENDING COLOR COMBINATIONS

Clara Noyes Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 Copper to gold. 32 inches.

Grand Canyon Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Purple to copper to gold. 38 inches.

No-We-Ta Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 An old but fine pink blend. 32 inches.

Prairie Sunset Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00

Pink to apricot to gold and entirely lovely. 36 inches.

Cascade Splendor Each \$3.75, Three 10.00, Doz. \$30.00

Heavily ruffled and crimped flower of pink to apricot to tan. 48 inches.

BLUE AND LAVENDER SHADES

Azure Skies Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00
An outstanding light azure blue with a white beard. 34 inches.

Blue Shimmer Each \$1.50, Three \$4.25, Doz. \$15.00

The blue is peppered evenly on a white background.
Fragrant and outstanding.

Duke of York Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 An all-over pale blue.

Great Lakes Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50 Remarkably clear, light blue. 40 inches.

Los Angeles Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25 Blue-edge white plicata. 36 inches. Miss California Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Excellent rose-lilac, 36 inches.

Pauletta Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Two fine blues, a bi-color, not a blend, 38 inches

Serenade Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

Helen McGregor Each \$12.00, Three \$32.50, Doz. \$125.00
A clear, pale blue and a top iris award winner. 40 inches.
Extremely rare.

IRIS KAEMPFERI (Japanese Iris)

These fine flowers resemble orchids. They are hardy anywhere, must have moisture but should not stand in water. We ship before May 1 or Sept. — Oct. They can be bought in bloom in *Easimoves* at The Sales Center in July. Late planted Japanese iris need a covering of salt hay after the ground has frozen to prevent heaving. Height 24-30 inches.

Betty F. Holmes Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00 Double White. Small yellow zone.

Circe Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00

Double. Red-violet falls, yellow blotch; styles white, edged purple.

Malmaison Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00 Double. Deep lavender falls; styles rose-lavender.

Tsurugi-No-Mai Each 75c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00

Double. Red-purple, white, gold tri-color flowers reaching 9" in diameter.

L. S. Ware

Double. Purple with yellow blotch. Styles, white edged purple.

Shishi-No-lkari Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Dark blue-violet, crinkled. Small yellow zone.

Ganymede Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00

Double. Rose with violet tints. Small yellow zone.

Kamata Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00 Single. Deep blue with white radiating veins.

IRIS PUMILA

These are miniatures (4" high), bloom in April and May. Excellent border or rockery plant.

Atroviolacea Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Wine colored, reddish-purple.



Exelsa Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

Sambo Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Very dark violet-blue.

Schneecuppe Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Pure white.

White Autumn Queen Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

A white, blooming in spring and fall.

IRIS SIBIRICA (Siberian)

These are tough, extremely hardy, last indefinitely and grow in impossibly wet ground. But keep their ankles out of water.

Caesar's Brother Each 75c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00

The best blue—rich black, pansy-violet of great depth.

30 inches.

Helen Astor Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25

A true rosy-red and most unusual, 20 inches.

Snow Queen Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Prolific white. 36 inches.

IRIS SPURIA

These are beardless and are the best of all rizhome iris for cutting. Flowers last a week or more in water. Hardy

anywhere; for best results plant in heavily moist location.

Ochroeleuca gigantea Each 75c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$5.00 Pure white standards, yellow falls. 40 inches.

Lord Wolseley Each 75, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$5.00
Rich violet-blue; yellow spot on each fall. 36 inches.

Monnieri Each 75c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
A fine, soft yellow, 36 inches.

PAEONIAS (Peonies)

There are hundreds of varieties of peonies. We have a very simple means of selecting them. First, we grow them; then, if we like them, if the stalk stands straight under the heaviest load of flowers, and if they are rated 9 points or better by the American Peony Society (10 is perfect and no peony has yet been rated at 10), we sell them. Also, we sell only 7-eye roots or better. These cost only double the so-called 3-5 eye roots generally offered, but you usually get flowers the first year—not 3 to 5 years later.

Peonies are of easy culture. They are great feeders, not finicky about soils. Plant (in the fall only) with the eyes 1½ inches below ground. When frozen in, mulch with hay or leaves. No mulching is necessary afterwards. All make delightful cut flowers: when cut in heavy bud they will open and keep a week in water. Never cut more than two-thirds of a bush. Then snip off any seed pods that develop on the remaining stems.

Once established, peonies bloom freely for 25 years or more. On this basis, our strong big roots are a wonderful investment. (Peony Society ratings follow the variety.)

Baroness Schroeder (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00 Flesh white on sturdy stems. Fragrant. Blooms late.

Duluth (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00
An outstanding late white. (Supply limited.)

Festiva Maxima (9.30) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00
Large pure white with occasional flecks of crimson at base of petal. Vigorous and early. Very fragrant.

Le Cygne (9.42) 7 eyes Each \$6.00
Large ivory without markings. Very early and fully double.
Fragrant. (Supply limited.)

Longfellow (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$4.50

Double midseason crimson. Does not fade. Color intensified by showing of golden stamens in center. (Supply limited.)

Martha Bullock (9.10) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00
Very large flower of old rose pink. Late season. Fragrant.

Mon. Jules Elie (9.20) 7 eyes Each \$3.50
Quite tall free-flowering, light-rose pink

Myrtle Gentry (9.06)

Light pink blooms fading to white with age. This is the finest delicate pink. (Supply limited.)

Sarah Bernhardt (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00 Strong-growing dark pink of medium height.

Solange (9.17) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00
Creamy white with blends of buff and pale salmon pink.
Petals dense. It is a late bloomer.

Therese (9.54) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00

Dark pink of medium height.

Walter Faxon (9.30) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00 Midseason light shell pink, Mildly fragrant.

Single Varieties

Albiflora, The Bride (not yet rated)

7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00

Pure white with rounded stamens.

Helen (9.20)

7 eyes Each \$6.00

Early and most delicately shell pink. (Supply very limited.)

Imperial Red (9.05) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00

Huge dark pink flowers.

Verdun (not yet rated) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00

Very large rich crimon center accented by golden center stamens.

Japanese or Anemone-Flowered Peonies

Ama-no-sode (9.20)

7 eyes Each \$6.00

Very large flower with double row of rose pink petals. Long staminodes of golden yellow, stained red at tips. (Supply very limited.)

Charm (9.22)

7 eyes Each \$6.00

Late blooming dark red. (Supply very limited.)

Kukeni-Jishi (9.09)

7 eyes Each \$10.00

Midseason flesh pink petals. Staminodes form thick tuft of gold in center. (Supply limited.)

HYBRID PEONIES

These sensational things, of which there are a very few in this world, are catalogued this year for delivery at prices that are more reasonable than the \$30 to \$45 per 3 to 5 eye root that is now current. They are single, early bloomers with color intensities never before obtainable in a peony and impossible to describe. Most are new, unnamed varieties. They are offered mixed only. Colors: Translucent pinks, lacquered reds, indescribable

salmons. There will be less than 100 available annually for a number of years. An order now will hold one. The price (3—5 eye roots): \$12.50. Delivery, Fall 1953.

PAPAVER ORIENTALE (Oriental Poppy)

These strong growing poppies, thanks to the hybridizer's science, diligence and luck, now come in an unusual and beautiful range of colors. They are of easiest culture, grow well in any soil but do best in a deep loam. Place crown 3 inches below surface; after frost mulch the first winter to prevent heaving; and after that do nothing.

Barrs' White

Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$7.50

Free-blooming pure white with purplish black spots at base of petals.

Beauty of Livermore Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00 Crimson with black center.

Crimson Pompom Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Double dark red of medium height.

Helen Elizabeth Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00

Pure pink, no dark soots, 30 inches high.

Mrs. Perry Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz.\$5.65

Apricot orange tinted with salmon.



Salmon Glow Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Double salmon-orange.

Potted Oriental Poppies

2-year roots available at the Farm in May and June.

Each \$1.75

PLATYCODON (Balloon Flower)

Requires a light sandy soil, well drained. Put in full sun. Do not disturb after planting. Once established it is rewarding — colored bells on 20 inch stems are excellent cut flowers and the plants bloom all summer.

Grandiflorium Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Deep blue bells on 20 inch stems. Single.

Grandiflorium Album Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
White form of the above.

PYRETHRUM (Painted Daisy)

Plant Spring or early Fall in ordinary soil in groups of 3 plants, each about a foot apart.

Robinson's Crimson Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Large, single disc-like flowers of rich crimson. A favorite cut flower.

James Kelway Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

Very deep scarlet.

Roseum (Double) Each 80c, Three \$2,00, Doz. \$6,00

Deep pink double flowers.

GARDEN GADGETS

Forks, hoes, rakes, spades or what common garden tools you need—we don't have them. Buy them from your favorite hardware dealer; he has as good as we can get. Over the years we have found few special-purpose garden tools that lived up to their promotions. Here are the ones we recommend.

Dutch Hook Each \$2.75

This is the small, forged, sharp weeder the Dutch use for hooking weeds out of daffodil and tulip rows. We use it for all kinds of close weeding. It has an 18-inch handle—you have to stoop. No one else has this tool.

Krasco Hand Grass Seeder Each \$4.95

A small hand tool working on the principle (centrifugal) of big farm tractor seeders. It will spread Bent and Bluegrass evenly and at the same time—something no \$15 hand-pushed seeder will do. Also, it is the only seeder that will distribute our Special Lawn Grass Seed, mostly a mixture of Fescues.

Flowering Shrubs

More and more gardeners are planting more and more flowering shrub borders. They are extremely valuable for screening, take a minimum of care and are a truly permanent planting. Careful selection will provide bloom throughout the summer.

Planting: Dig a hole (placing the topsoil on one side) 8 to 10 inches wider and deeper than you need to accommodate the roots. Place the plant. Put the topsoil in the bottom of the hole. When all the topsoil has been used, water thoroughly. Then finish with the subsoil and leave a dish of earth about 18 inches in diameter with a 6-inch rim. Fill with water—and fill at least once a week during the first summer. If you live nearby you might want Easimove shrubs—they've been grown in their own ample tarpaper pots. They have heavy root balls; won't know they have been moved.

AZALEA (The Hardy Mollis)

Azalea Mollis is a plant of gorgeous variety and beauty; it is very hardy; and, contrary to popular belief, it does not require an acid soil. All Azalea Mollis wants is a respectable soil, an occasional top dressing of well rotted cow manure (or dried cow dung); it does not require an inordinate amount of water. Mollis does well in shade but prefers full sun. Do not cultivate deeply as the fine root mass is very close to the surface.

To get blooms in profusion year after year pick off the pods before seeds mature. If planted where temperatures go below 10 degrees minus, tops should be covered to prevent buds from blasting. We are sorry, but we are behind on deliveries with some of the named varieties. We suggest, though, that you order now for future delivery. These shipping plants are heavily budded, most will bloom the first season.

Chevalier de Reali Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00, Doz. \$50.00 Large flowers of pale lemon-vellow.

Directeur Moerlands Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00, Doz. \$50.00 Soft pale yellow shading somewhat to apricot-yellow.

Dr. M. Osthoek

Brilliant fiery azalea-pink with a soft almost burntorange glow.

Each \$5,00, Three \$14.00, Doz. \$50.00

Koster's Brilliant Red Each \$5.50, Three \$15.00, Doz. \$55.00 As named, a brilliant, vermilion-red.

Mixed Varieties

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

These run the gamut of Azalea shades—amber, salmonorange, copper, gold, yellow, flame-red, etc. Ultimate height runs from 3 to 6 feet. Shipping stock is three years old; it has flower buds and some will bloom a bit the first season.



AZALEA PONTICA (Hardy Ghent Azaleas)

These are even hardier than Azalea Mollis but their blooming time, soil requirements and general habit of growth are the same. Their special merit, besides extreme hardiness, is the unusual range of colors in the group. While the flowers are not as large as Mollis, they have equal brilliance and to many fanciers their variations of tint are more spectacular. Plants offered are 14 to 18 inches high with flowering buds.

Bouquet de Flore Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75
Brilliant clusters of deep pink.

Daviesi Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Almost white with traces of pink.

Nancy Waterer Each \$3.00. Three \$7.75

Clusters of golden yellow.

Sang de Gentbrugge Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00
The most vivid and brilliant red you ever saw.

CYDONIA (Flowering Quince)

This is one of the earliest blooming shrubs. Quince stand alone as specimen shrubs or, trimmed, they make excelent hedges. Ultimate height reaches 6 feet. The first two varieties offered are hybrids. Stock is extremely limited on these two. (Fall shipment only.)

Charming Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

Large, soft shell-pink flowers deepening in color at the tips of the petals. It's an orderly plant reaching a height of 6 feet at maturity. Shipping plants are about 2 feet.

Knaphill Scarlet Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00, Doz. \$40.00

This is an English origination, a dwarf — eight-year-old specimens are not more than 18 inches high and about that measurement in width. In early spring, Knaphill Scarlet is a small mound of bia vermillon-red flowers.

Nivalis Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

This is the best pure white quince.

Stanford Red Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

The buds open Geranium-red and deepen to blood red. It is excellent for cutting and it is almost thornless. Ultimate height 6 feet. Shipping stock about $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet high and most will blossom their first season.

Spitfire (Patent #830) Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

This excellent plant grows upright to 6 or 7 feet but it can be held down to 4 or 5 feet by clipping twice a year—no side pruning is necessary. Flowers are large and of deep crimson-red. Shipping stock is nearly 3 feet high and most will bloom the first season. Note that "most"—it's hard the first season to depend upon a shrub called Spiffire.

Japonica Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

This is the old favorite. It is covered with masses of coralred flowers and recommended because it is cheap for screening or hedging.

LILACS (The French Hybrids)

If you like the old-fashioned lilacs (and who doesn't) you'll certainly want these lovely things. The hybridizers have been working with them, particularly the great French horticulturist Lemoine, and Lilacs are now works of art. The trusses are huge and many varieties make excellent cut flowers. All of these new Lilacs come into bloom at a much younger age than the old ones.

Ambassadeur

Each \$3.50. Three \$9.75

Broad spikes of very large single flowers of azure-lilac lightened by a conspicuous white center.

Esther Stalev Each \$5.00

This is the only pink lilac to date. Buds are red, flowers single. It is a fine and rare plant. Midseason. 2 to 3 feet. (Patented).

Etna

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00.

Deep claret-purple single flowers. This is the closest approach to red we have seen,

Marie Finon Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Trusses covered with immense double flowers of purest alabaster white.

Waldeck Rosseau Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Another double pink, this of most delicate tone.

PHILADELPHUS (Mockorange)

Atlas (Giant Mockorange)

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

It is the flowers that are giants, not the plants, although they will attain a considerable size if not pruned. The huge blossoms (3 inches across) are as large as Dogwood blooms and they make excellent cut flowers—so you will prune. Philadelphus is hardy, requiring no special culture.

Enchantment (Double)

Each \$3.00, Three \$8.50

Its branches are erect and on maturity the bush rarely grows over 6 feet. The flowers, set very closely, are double and sweetly fragrant. It will grow well in light shade.

Innocence

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

An alabaster-white mockorange producing heavily. Flowers are delicately fragrant. Height at maturity is about 6 feet.

KOLKWITZIA AMABILIS

(Beauty Bush)

A favorite of pink bell-shaped flowers in June. It tolerates poor or dry sandy soil and is of easiest culture. The foliage is heavy and covers the plant to the ground. Height, 8 feet.

Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25, Six \$12.00

LONICERA

(Honeysuckle Bush)

Tatarica Alba

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

An upright but spreading shrub bearing white flowers in late May and June, Fragrant. An excellent shrub for screening as it reaches 10 feet,

Tatarica Rubra

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Similar to above with pale pink flowers.

ROSA MULTIFLORA (The Living Fence)

This fencing material is primarily for farmers or for estate owners who have need for permanent fences. Plant it 1 foot apart and in three years cattle or sheep cannot get through it. Plant on 6-inch centers and not a hog can pass. It grows 8 feet high, spreads 8 feet. Roots, however, do not spread. For its purpose, permanent fencing, it is perfect. We no longer offer bare-root, seedling stock—too many people have difficulty with it. We sell only heavily-rooted, potted cuttings from selected stock.

25, \$5.00; 100, \$16.50; 500, \$75.00; 1000, \$125.00



PEAT MOSS AND SALT HAY

Unless you live within 50 miles of The Farm you'll do better price-wise buying this bulky material locally. Both, however, are invaluable to good garden practice and if you can't get imported peat or salt hay in your neighborhood maybe you had better go to the expense of having us shio it by express.

Imported Peat, standard bale......Each \$4.50

80 lb. bales......Each \$2.75, Three \$7.75, Ton \$75.00 (Available in October.)

SPECIAL GRASS SEED

This mixture is composed mostly of the Fescue race—tough, hardy, creeping, shade-resisting grasses. They withstand drought better than most grasses, are not attacked, like some, by fungus diseases. The rest (15 percent) is made up of three kinds of upright Bent. There is no Kentucky Bluegrass in it. Ditto Redtop. If you are seeding a new lawn let us know and we will send you without charge enough annual rye grass to form a cover crop for these slower germinating grasses. Use this mixture sparingly but consistently. It is expensive stuff and unless you are after a fine turf you'll do better with hardware store mixtures.

5 lbs. \$13.75, 10 lbs. \$22.50, 25 lbs. \$49.50

YOUR LAWN

Don't think that all there is to a nice lawn is fine-grading the site, planting the grass, watering it and mowing it. Maintaining a good lawn requires care and money—lots of both—and if you haven't the time and don't want to spend the money, the best advice you can take is to just cut the natural grass (and weeds) you can't keep from coming up, anyway.

On the other hand, if you are after a deep velvety turf follow these directions:

New Lawns

Be sure you have six inches of topsoil; topsoil rich in humus (old manure dug in). Don't fool around testing it for acidity—put on 25 pounds of lime per 1000 square feet. (Too much lime will give you too much clover.) Rake in the lime, and water the area. Don't be in a hurry about seeding—you wanthe freshly dug soil to settle. Then put on 50 pounds of 0-10-10 commercial fertilizer. (This means you have no nitrogen, except that already in the soil, but you do have plenty of phosphorus and potash for root and body strength.) Rake it finely and water the area some more.

After you can't stand the look of the barren ground any longer rake it lightly. Then seed. Put the seed on so thickly that the formerly barren ground looks as if it had been heavily salt-and-peppered—like a lamb chop Then, and this is important, drag it. Drag it lightly about three times, round and round and up and down. This will cover 80 percent of the seed to the proper depth—the rest will be too deep or on the surface but you can't do anything about it. Then roll it. (Don't worry about foot marks or indentations; they can be filled in later.) And keep it damp. Cut it when grass is about 3 inches high and set your mower as high as it will go. (The seed to use? If you don't buy ours, buy what is sold as "Shady Lawn" seed. These mixtures contain better grasses than run-of-mill or so-called sunny-location grass mixtures.)

At this point all you have is a very young lawn. It should be cut three times a week and your mower should never be set lower than 134.2 inches—the latter is better. Do not pick up the cut grass. You'll get some crab grass the first July but don't worry about it. After the fall rains start, sprinkle the grass with about 5 pounds of seed per 1000 square feet. Then take a bamboo lawn broom and rake the whole area hard. Roll, and if the rains fail, keep wet. This will give you thousands of viagrous, small seedling argases.

Early the next spring use 25 pounds of Milorganite to 1000 square feet. (Use a "potato" fertilizer if you can't get Milorganite or some other organic material.) By early we mean just after frost or before the grass gets green. Then use one pound of seed per 1000 square feet, broom and roll as above. The next September follow the same procedure and ditto every spring and August thereafter.

Quite a job, isn't it? But your reward is a deep, velvety lawn and we thought that was what you were after.

About Old Lawns

An old lawn can be refurbished without digging it up. The trick here is to seed, broom and roll spring and September year after year. (Fertilize each spring and seed spring and fall.) If broad-leaved plants like dandelion and plantain are present dig them out or kill with 2-4D.

Notes on Crabgrass

Crabgrass is no problem on a well-kept lawn. Heavy, benign grasses give Crab no room to get started—an annual, it does not germinate until late June or July. It is shallow-rooted and simply cannot get started in a thick lawn. In our opinion Crabgrass killers (some do actually kill it) are a waste of time and money—they cannot substitute for properly kept grass and cost more than a good lawn in the long run.

CONDITIONS OF SALE (Please Read Before Ordering)

By Mail Order

(Please order early.)

- Plants are sold only as quoted. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the material is made on that basis.
- Remittances must accompany order unless an account has previously been set up. Please use checks, money orders or bank drafts
 —never cash. If you live in Connecticut the 2% sales tax must be added
- Transportation charges are not included in the purchase price.
 Small parcels will be sent Parcel Post prepaid and we will bill the postage to you at a later date. Most parcels (White Flower Farm's plants and shrubs are generally larger than material usually offered by catalogue) are sent express collect.
- Due to high labor and packaging costs a service charge of 35 cents must be added to all orders under \$5.00.
- 5. We ship all plants, roses, shrubs and bulbs at a time when they are best planted in your locality. Because some plants can only be transplanted at specified times two or three shipments may be required to fill your order.
- 6. The replacement policy of White Flower Farm is liberal. The majority of our customers are advanced gardeners who know how to take care of flowering material and as a consequence we have very little replacing to do. However, if a shipment reaches you damaged or in bad condition (the date it leaves The Farm is plainly marked on each package) please let us know at once. It will be replaced immediately. All other complaints or problems should be brought to our attention within 30 days, if possible.
- 7. When reporting errors in orders (and we make some), please give DATE of ORDER and ORDER NUMBER. Helps us find it faster. And please include your name and address—there are a surprising number of people who forget this.
- 8. We reserve the right to reject orders for field-grown bare root material if, in our opinion, the distance or delivery time is so long

- that this premium stock might suffer deterioration in transit. Parcel post and express service are about half as good as they were prewar and this sharply restricts shipment of field-grown stock like Delphinium, Columbine, Lilacs, etc. Potted plants (like Chrysanthemums) are not a problem and generally can be shipped safely anywhere.
- 9. We urge you to permit us to substitute if material is sold out and cannot be back-ordered for planting the next season. We will send you the nearest variety to the ordered material, taking particular care that color and season of bloom are the same and that habits of growth are similar. Substitutions cause no particular difficulty in bulbs or flowering plants. We will not substitute in the flowering shrub and small tree category but will back-order the material or refund your money.

At the Sales Center

- Material that must be dug for you in the gardens is sold only as
 quoted herein. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the
 material is made on that basis. All other plants, shrubs, roses, and
 bulbs are sold as marked in The Sales Center.
- 2. We dig for "carry-away" bareroot orders only on Monday and Friday. These orders are ready for Tuesday and Saturday. This is a necessary and inflexible rule (applying to both retail and wholesale accounts) during the busy spring and fall seasons. The planting of next year's crops must go on without interruption.
- 3. Orders requiring digging must be paid for in advance.
- 4. No replacements can be made on Easimove plants unless we are notified within two weeks. They are healthy, vigorous material when purchased from The Sales Center and failures with them are rarely traced to the plant.
- No replacements can be made on cut flowers bought at The Sales Center. They are guaranteed to be not over 24 hours old and have been specially conditioned for at least 12 hours in our refrigerator.

